

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-24 have been examined, claims 10, 11 and 23 stand rejected and claims 1-9, 12-22 and 24 are allowed.

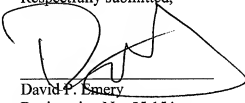
Claims 10, 11 and 23 are hereby canceled by this Amendment without prejudice or disclaimer.

Consequently, as all the rejected claims are hereby canceled by this Amendment, Applicants respectfully submit the present application is in condition for immediate allowance.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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